

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel Claims 36, 38, 41, 43, 46-48 and 51-54 without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 34, 35, 37, 39, 40, and 42 as follows.

1-33. (Canceled)

34. (Currently Amended) An image supply device for directly communicating with a printer and transmitting image data to the printer to print the image data, the device comprising:

an interface configured to connect with a storage medium that stores image data and a file ~~describing a printing condition of the image data~~ including first image designation data for designating image data to be printed, wherein the file has been stored in the storage medium before starting communication with a printing apparatus ~~the image supply device and the printer communicate each other;~~

~~a confirmation unit configured to confirm whether it is possible or not to communicate with the printing apparatus using a predetermined protocol upon starting communication with the printing apparatus; and~~

an obtaining unit configured to obtain function information of the printer from the printer through communication with the printer;

a creation unit configured to create second image designation data based on a designation of image data to be printed after the image supply device and the printer communicate each other, and create a print job including the second image designation

data and a print condition based on the function information obtained by said obtaining unit; and

a transmission unit configured to transmit ~~both a~~ the print designation job created based on the communication with the printing apparatus, after said confirmation unit confirms that it is possible to communicate with the printing apparatus using the predetermined protocol, and the file to the printing apparatus by said creation unit to the printer.

wherein if the designation of image data to be printed is performed using the first image designation data included in the file, then said creation unit creates the print job including information for designating the file instead of the second image designation data.

35. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 34, wherein the image supply device is a digital camera ~~print designation describes information for specifying the file.~~

36. (Canceled)

37. (Currently Amended) A device according to claim 34, wherein the file is ~~recorded in the storage medium based on the standard of a DPOF~~ file.

38. (Canceled)

39. (Currently Amended) A control method of an image supply device for directly communicating with a printer and transmitting image data to the printer to print the image data, ~~having an interface configured to connect with a storage medium that stores image data and a file describing a printing condition of the image data before starting communication with a printing apparatus~~, the method comprising the steps of:

obtaining function information of the printer from the printer through communication with the printer, while a storage medium that stores image data and a file including first image designation data for designating image data to be printed is mounted on the image supply device, wherein the file has been stored in the storage medium before the image supply device and the printer communicate each other ~~confirming whether it is possible or not to communicate with the printing apparatus using a predetermined protocol upon starting the communication with the printing apparatus; and~~

creating second image designation data based on a designation of image data to be printed after the image supply device and the printer communicate each other;

generating a print job including the second image designation data and a print condition based on the function information obtained in said obtaining step; and

transmitting the both a print job designation created in said generating step to the printer, ~~based on the communication with the printing apparatus, after it is confirmed that it is possible to communicate with the printing apparatus using the predetermined protocol, and the file to the printing apparatus;~~

wherein if the designation of image data to be printed is performed using the first image designation data included in the file, then said generating step generates the print job including information for designating the file instead of the second image designation data.

40. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 39, wherein the image
supply device is a digital camera ~~print designation describes information for specifying the~~
~~file.~~

41. (Canceled)

42. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 39, wherein further
comprising:
an input step of inputting print conditions; and
a creation step of creating the file of is a DPOF file standard in the storage medium
based on the print conditions input in said input step before the start of the communication
with the printing apparatus.

43 - 54. (Canceled)